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FOR ISOLATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF TAGGED GENES"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 4, 2001, Applicants respectfully
request that this application be reconsidered in view of the following remarks and
amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the appropriate pending claim with its amended version as
presented below:

9. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising a second amplification
to preferentially amplify adapter-modified DNA fragments, wherein said second
amplification employs at least two oligonucleotide primers, with one of said primers

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